



# Media Information

Columbus Division of Police

Date: 11/27/2019

Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: 11/27/2019

Time: 2:22 AM

Location of Offense/Incident: R/O 1326 E. 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Zone: 4

Precinct: 5

Incident Report #: 190994315

Cruiser District: 54

Victim: William Berry III

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 38

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: Adrian Lamor Tucker

Address: 1326 E. 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue

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☒ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 24

Charges: Murder (2903.02A)

Suspect:

Address:

☐ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Charges:

**Incident Summary:** On Wednesday, November 27, 2019, at approximately 2:22 a.m., Columbus Police Officers were called to the area of Medina Avenue and E. 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue, on the report of an accident where the driver appeared to have been shot. Upon arrival, Officers found an injured male, lying inside the crashed vehicle, suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. CFD EMS 13 responded to the scene and transported the victim, later identified as William Berry III, to Grant Medical Center in serious condition. The victim ultimately succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at 2:51 a.m. by attending medical personnel.

Initial investigation and various witness accounts revealed that Mr. Berry had exited his vehicle in the rear alley near 1326 E. 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue when, for reasons still unknown, an agitated male exited the rear of 1326 E. 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue and fired multiple shots toward Mr. Berry. Mr. Berry returned to his vehicle and fled westbound in the alley, perhaps unaware he had already been mortally wounded. The suspect, later identified as Adrian Lamor Tucker, was apprehended a short time later and charged with Murder. The motive for the shooting is still under investigation.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call the Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS.

This is the 96th Homicide in Columbus, Ohio in Calendar Year 2019. Incident #190994315. Detective Jean Byrne is the lead detective on the case being assisted by Det. Jeff Brandt.

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